



# HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

## FISCAL NOTE

SENATE BILL NO. 745

PRINTERS NO. 2039

PRIME SPONSOR: Stefano

### COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2020/21	FY 2021/22
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Motor License Fund	\$0	\$0

**SUMMARY:** Amends Title 75 (Vehicle Code) to alter the emission inspection requirements for certain older model vehicles in the Pittsburgh and Philadelphia Regions. This legislation would take effect immediately.

**ANALYSIS:** This legislation amends the state's vehicle emissions inspection program by replacing the required tail pipe or tail pipe with dynamometer tests for a subject vehicle with a model year of 1996 or newer with a vehicle gross weight rating between 8,501 and 9,000 lbs. registered in the Philadelphia and Pittsburgh Regions. The aforementioned class of subject vehicles would be required to either:

- Undergo a gas cap test with a visual inspection; or
- An OBD-IM check.

PennDOT shall determine which of the previous two tests will be applicable based on the vehicle manufacturer, model and year.

Within 60 days of the effective date, DEP shall initiate the process to make the aforementioned change to the state's vehicle emissions inspection program and update the State Implementation Plan (SIP), subject to the following:

- The revised SIP shall be completed by January 1, 2022.
- DEP shall comply with federal law during the process and ensure the change will not interfere with attainment requirements or negatively impact federal funding.
- DEP shall notify the majority and minority chairs of the House and Senate Transportation and Environmental Resources and Energy Committees when the EPA approves the change.

Upon approval by the EPA, the Secretary of DEP shall send notice of approval to the LRB for publication in the Pennsylvania Bulletin. The emissions change shall be effective 120 days following publication.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** This legislation would have no adverse fiscal impact on Commonwealth funds.

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**DATE:** October 20, 2020

*Estimates are calculated using the best information available. Actual costs and revenue impact incurred may vary from estimates.*